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In re Appln. of Richards, et al.

Appln. No. 10/046,500

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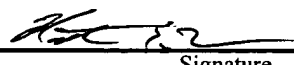
For: Polypropylene Container and
Process for Making the Same

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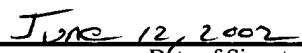
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the patent application filed herewith. A copy of each reference cited is enclosed herein.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, Applicants submit that no fee or certification is necessary for consideration of the cited references pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97.

Also, there is reserved the right to later set forth how the instant invention is distinguished over the disclosure of any reference or other art, including the disclosures of those references and other information discussed herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

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The citation of the above documents and other information is not to be construed as an assertion that more pertinent art could not possibly be in existence.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate remarks.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 13-0206.

Respectfully submitted,



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